s17 Geometric Series Exam (EXAM v360)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a = 917, common ratio $r = \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^{1/10}$, and n = 10 terms.

$$S \ = \ 917 + 842.5 + 774.06 + 711.17 + 653.4 + 600.32 + 551.55 + 506.74 + 465.57 + 427.75$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS = 842.5 + 774.06 + 711.17 + 653.4 + 600.32 + 551.55 + 506.74 + 465.57 + 427.75 + 393$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 6 + 6(8) + 6(8)^{2} + 6(8)^{3} + \cdots + 6(8)^{47} + 6(8)^{48} + 6(8)^{49} + 6(8)^{50}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.